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**NEWS RELEASE**

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## Sherm's Markets Donates Truckload of Food To Help ACCESS Fight Hunger

**Medford, December 12th:** Sherm's Food 4 Less and Thunderbird grocery stores made a special delivery to the ACCESS Regional Food Bank Warehouse on Thursday. A semi-truck delivered 26,123 pounds of food that will go directly toward fighting hunger in our community. This marks the 28<sup>th</sup> consecutive year the Olsrud family has made this generous donation to ACCESS.

ACCESS Food Programs Director Dana Daniels expressed her gratitude, saying, "Every year we are so touched by the Olsrud family's generous donation of a semi-truck of non-perishable food. Because of this generosity, thousands of families, children and seniors will have food on the table over the holiday season."

ACCESS distributes over 4.5 million pounds of food annually through a network of more than 30 pantries across Jackson County. The demand for food is always higher during the holiday season, and ACCESS depends on the support of businesses like Sherm's Markets and local community members to assist those in need.

Every \$1 donated to ACCESS provides three meals and all contributions stay local to support residents in our area. To donate, visit [www.accesshelps.org/donations](http://www.accesshelps.org/donations).

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**ABOUT ACCESS**

ACCESS provides food, warmth, shelter, and other essential services to Jackson County's low-income children, families, seniors, veterans, and people with disabilities. As the Community Action Agency of Jackson County, Oregon, ACCESS has been helping residents break the cycle of poverty since 1976. Last year, 40,000 people received assistance from ACCESS's broad continuum of services, including obtaining safe, affordable housing, rental assistance, utility assistance, weatherization, free loaned durable medical equipment, and healthy food.

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